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ELECTION OF NINE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION AGAINST APARTHEID IN SPORTS

Note by the Secretary-General

1. Elections of the members of the Commission against Apartheid in Sports are governed by the following provisions of article 11 of the International Convention against Apartheid in Sports, which read as follows:

"1. There shall be established a Commission against Apartheid in Sports (hereinafter referred to as "the Commission") consisting of fifteen members of high moral character and committed to the struggle against apartheid, particular attention being paid to participation of persons having experience in sports administration, elected by the States Parties from among their nationals, having regard to the most equitable geographical distribution and the representation of the principal legal systems.

"2. The members of the Commission shall be elected by secret ballot from a list of persons nominated by the States Parties. Each State Party may nominate one person from among its own nationals.

"3. The initial election shall be held six months after the date of the entry into force of the present Convention. At least three months before the date of each election, the Secretary-General of the United Nations shall address a letter to the States Parties inviting them to submit their nominations within two months. The Secretary-General shall prepare a list in alphabetical order of all persons thus nominated, indicating the States Parties which have nominated them, and shall submit it to the States Parties.

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"4. Elections of the members of the Commission shall be held at a meeting of States Parties convened by the Secretary-General at United Nations Headquarters. At that meeting, for which two thirds of the States Parties shall constitute a quorum, the persons elected to the Commission shall be those nominees who obtain the largest number of votes and an absolute majority of the votes of the representatives of States Parties present and voting.

"5. The members of the Commission shall be elected for a term of four years. However, the terms of nine of the members elected at the first election shall expire at the end of two years; immediately after the first election, the names of these nine members shall be chosen by lot by the Chairman of the Commission."

2. At the resumed 1st meeting, on 2 March 1989, the States parties elected the following 15 members of the Commission:

Hamad Abdelaziz Al-Kawari (Qatar)

Ahmad Fathi Al-Masri (Syrian Arab Republic)

Fernando Alanis Camino (Mexico) (succeeded by Raul Gonzalez Rodriguez)

Hocine Djoudi (Algeria)

James Victor Gbeho (Ghana)

Lionel Hurst (Antigua and Barbuda)

Besley Maycock (Barbados)

Abraham Ordia (Nigeria)

Vladimir Platonov (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic)

Allan Rae (Jamaica)

Tesfaye Shafo (Ethiopia) (succeeded by Mulu Wale)

Claudio Teehankee (Philippines) (succeeded by Sedfrey Ordoñez)

Boris Topornin (Union of Soviet Socialist Republics)

Zoumana Traore (Burkina Faso)

Georg Zorowka (German Democratic Republic)

3. Pursuant to paragraph 5 of article 11 of the Convention, the Chairman of the Commission against Apartheid in Sports, at its 2nd meeting, held on 19 October 1989, drew lots to choose the names of nine members of the Commission whose term would expire at the end of two years from the date of their election, i.e., 2 March 1991. The nine names chosen were as follows:

Hamad Abdelaziz Al-Kawari

Ahmad Fathi Al-Masri

Hocine Djoudi

James Victor Gbeho

Lionel Hurst

Besley Maycock

Abraham Ordia

Vladimir Platonov

Zoumana Traore

4. On 20 November 1990, the Assistant Secretary-General for the Centre against Apartheid, on behalf of the Secretary-General, sent a note verbale to the States parties to the Convention informing them that the term of office of the nine members of the Commission listed in the above-mentioned paragraph would expire in March 1991 and inviting them to submit nominations.

5. As at 13 June 1991, the Secretary-General had received from States parties the following nominations for the nine vacancies in the membership of the Commission for election for a four-year term of office:

Gbedevi Zikpu Aguigah (Togo)

Abdul Karim M. Al-Ethawy (Iraq)

James Victor Gbeho (Ghana)

Joseph Lagu (Sudan)

Francis Malambugi (United Republic of Tanzania)

E. Besley Maycock (Barbados)

Vladimir Platonov (Ukrainian Soviet Socialist Republic)

Jai Pratap Rana (Nepal)

Zoumana Traore (Burkina Faso)